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In re Application of: )  
Bausan YUAN et al. ) Group Art Unit: 2851  
Application No.: 09/759,524 ) Examiner: Peter Kim  
Filed: January 16, 2001 )  
For: REACTION MASS FOR A STAGE )  
DEVICE )

Commissioner for Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

In the Restriction Requirement dated July 31, 2002, the Examiner required restriction under 35 U.S.C. § 121 to one of the following inventions:

Group I - Claims 1-16 and 68-75, characterized by the Examiner as being drawn to a support system;

Group II - Claims 17-52 and 76-79, characterized by the Examiner as being drawn to a stage assembly; and

Group III - Claims 53-67, characterized by the Examiner as being drawn to a method for reducing a vibration force.

Applicants provisionally elect to prosecute Group II, claims 17-52 and 76-79, characterized by the Examiner as being drawn to a stage assembly.

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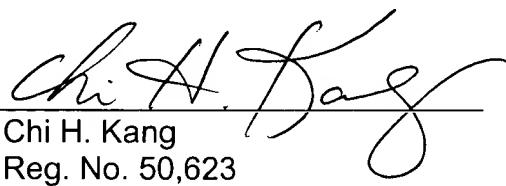
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